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The National FFA Organization National Event Winners - Employment Skills 2023

INDIANAPOLIS- Winners of the National FFA Employment Skills Leadership Development Event (LDE) were announced Friday during the fifth session of the 96th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. The event was held in conjunction with the 96th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. Dr. Kirk Swortzel from Mississippi State University served as superintendent of the national event.

The top eight individuals received cash awards to recognize their success in the event.

The Employment Skills LDE is a competitive event that tests a student's ability to perform effectively throughout the entire job application process. The participants prepare a resume, cover letter and complete an online application. They also participate in phone, one-on-one and panel job interviews as part of the competition.

The event, held at the Crowne Plaza in Indianapolis is one of many educational activities at the convention and expo, where FFA members practice the lessons learned in agricultural education classes.

Top Placing Individuals

1st Place-- Josie Boyle of West Dubuque FFA, IA
2nd Place-- Jesse Cronic of Jackson-Empower FFA, GA
3rd Place-- McKenzie Dixon of Taylor County FFA, KY
4th Place-- Claire Murnin of Shepherd FFA, MT

Individual Emblems Listed

Gold Emblem Individuals

Alexander Neira of Pell City FFA, AL
Jesse Cronic of Jackson-Empower FFA, GA
Kamille Mirkin of Jerome FFA, ID
McKenzie Dixon of Taylor County FFA, KY
Coy Davidson of Elgin FFA, OK
Bennett Gordon of Sturgis FFA, SD

Emma Bigman of Woodbury FFA, CT
Josie Boyle of West Dubuque FFA, IA
Aaliyah Carlisle of Lebanon FFA, IN
Claire Murnin of Shepherd FFA, MT
Shelly Bliss of Captain Jack FFA, PA
Emilee Munchrath of Graford FFA, TX

Silver Emblem Individuals

Natalie Jordan of Greene County Tech FFA, AR
TEAGAN JOSEPH of Eaton FFA, CO
Lauren Poole of Winnfield FFA, LA

John Bray of Hanford FFA, CA
Kendra Downing of Cambridge FFA, IL
Abigail Zekarias of Howard County FFA, MD

Ashley Squires of Owosso FFA, MI
Bristel Foltz of High Rock FFA, NC
Naydeline Navarrete of John Bowne FFA, NY
Shelby Strickland of Conway FFA, SC
Morgan Baerwolf of Columbus FFA, WI

Mackenzie Kuschel of Sebeka FFA, MN
Annaliese Rauschenberger of South Prairie FFA, ND
Jillian Bennett of Amanda-Clearcreek FFA, OH
Abigail Hamm of Munford FFA, TN
Ashlee Study of Jefferson FFA, WV

Bronze Emblem Individuals

Aly Guernsey of Iron Mountain FFA, AK
Harmony Golden of Lake Forest FFA, DE
Grace Henderson of Dexter FFA, KS
Mattie Mynatt of Alcorn Central FFA, MS
Emily Coon of CBNA Much-To-Do FFA, NH
Elise Dalley of Moapa Valley FFA, NV
Bryan Jones of Exeter-West Greenwich FFA, RI
Ayla Janney of Broadway FFA, VA
Tess Palen of Glendo FFA, WY

Lizbeth Ortiz of Buckeye Union FFA, AZ
Abbygaël Whitehead of Dixie FFA, FL
Miru Kunst of Norfolk FFA, MA
Thomas Perrin of Ogallala FFA, NE
Breanna Rosmarin of Freehold FFA, NJ
Kailee Macy of Culver FFA, OR
Sophia Bliss of Delta FFA, UT
Alexandra Gomez of White River FFA, WA

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